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DOE Releases Draft Request for Proposals for Paramilitary Security Services at Savannah River Site Issues NOI on Extension of Current SRS Security Contract

CINCINNATI, OH: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) today issued a draft Request for Proposals (RFP) for the procurement of paramilitary security services at the Savannah River Site (SRS) in Aiken, South Carolina. The services to be provided include protection of Government property and material, Category I-IV Special Nuclear Material, classified and sensitive information, vital facilities, support facilities, and Government and other employees and visitors at SRS. The new contract will be a Cost-Plus-Award-Fee type contract with a five-year base and two option periods of three and two years respectively.

Interested parties will have 30 days from today to submit comments and inquiries. The draft RFP may be revised to reflect any or all comments and/or inquiries received from interested parties. DOE plans release a formal RFP at a later date for which interested parties may submit proposals and from which a contractor will be selected to provide protective force security services to SRS.

The Department also issued today a Notice of Intent (NOI) Synopsis for an anticipated non-competitive sole source contract extension of up to fifteen months. DOE proposes to extend the current contract for a base period of nine months with one three-month option and three one-month option periods. The Notice of Intent Synopsis is provided to solicit comments from

interested parties that the Department will consider prior to finalizing its decision to extend the contract.

The contract extension will enable the Department to continue its vital security missions at SRS during the evaluation and award of the Security Services competitive acquisition. This is necessary to allow the adequate time required to foster full and open competition for a follow-on contract award for this multifaceted requirement.

The draft RFP and supporting information will be available at <http://www.emcbc.doe.gov/srs>. A pre-solicitation conference and site tour will be offered to interested parties during the comment period. Specific registration information for both the pre-solicitation conference and site tour will be posted separately on the EMCBC acquisition website. The Notice of Intent Synopsis will be available at <http://www.fedbizopps.gov>.

The Savannah River Site is a key DOE industrial complex, focusing on the cleanup of legacy materials and wastes left from the Cold War. It comprises 310 square miles in Aiken, Allendale, and Barnwell Counties, South Carolina. Constructed during the 1950s to produce basic materials used in the fabrication of nuclear weapons in support of our nation's defense programs, SRS is recognized for performance and excellence in support of our national security and as a responsible steward of the environment. For additional information on the Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management and the Savannah River Site, visit <http://www.em.doe.gov> or <http://www.srs.gov>.

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